

Reader Protests Telephone Service

The West Coast Telephone Company is not giving Southern Curry County adequate telephone service. This statement of course, is not news to users of telephones in this area. This complaint has been continuously prevalent in the past. We have complacently overlooked the shabby manner in which we have been treated by our telephone company chiefly because of its continual promises that its service would be improved in the future.

But this future, as the word is used by the telephone company, never seems to arrive. Last week and during several prior periods, telephone users of Brookings could not connect with their central office.

Long distance service out of Brookings is often delayed and seldom is of the same degree of efficiency as other cities receive.

Why should all of this be? How long do we now have to wait before we receive adequate telephone service to meet the needs of this community? Why should

we be compelled to have our central telephone office established in another State? Why is it that our people, who desire telephones, are unable to get them?

These are some of the questions which the West Coast Telephone Company should answer to our satisfaction. Provided the telephone company shall not so answer these questions it may become necessary for us to place our questions with the Public Utilities Commissioner of the State of Oregon. If we have to get tough in this matter then let's get tough.

(EDITOR'S NOTE—Ordinarily the Pilot does not publish unsigned letters, but this, we feel, is in the interest of the people of this area.)

In The Mail-box:

Scout Larry Hannan wrote this letter to his parents.

Troop 24, Sec. 24
Irvine Ranch
Santa Ana, Calif.
July 15, 1953

Dear Mom and Dad: ::

On the card I wrote you I couldn't tell you all that I've been doing.

When we got off the train at San Francisco we ferried across the bay, then got on busses and went to the Naval Training Center for dinner. From there we toured the town. We saw the City Hall and other interesting buildings. After our tour we went swimming and then to Chinatown. We then ferried across the bay again, and got on our train.

After riding all night we arrived at the Jamboree, set up camp and stayed there the rest of that day and night. The next morning we went to San Diego where we went to the biggest and best zoo in the world. We had lunch at the Marine Training Center and a ride on a Navy landing barge. The bay was full of destroyers, transports, submarines and other ships. I have 12 pictures of them to bring home. After that we went into Mexico where I got a "bunch of junk," to bring home. You'll like my souvenirs. We had supper at the Marine Train-

ing Center.

This morning we set up our table so I have a better place to write. Tomorrow we will go to a museum. The water around here has so much chlorine in it that we can hardly drink it.

July 17th—
Twenty-six and one-half minutes ago the Jamboree was officially opened by the firing of a salute.

Trading has been good. I went out with Gary Safley, Earl Huntington, John Sampson and Gene Horn. About halfway we met kids from other states, who wanted my slides. I traded all of them for 2 Scout knives, a ball-point pen and 2 lucky horse-shoes.

Yesterday we went to Knotts Berry Farm. There were stage coaches and an old train and other relics.

Tomorrow we are going swimming at Huntington Beach.

I go to mass every morning. Well, I'll be seeing you the 26th.

Love to all,
LARRY (Hannan)

P.S.: I might get on T.V.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor
The Brookings-Harbor Pilot
Dear Madam,

With the recent swimming-hole tragedy in mind may I presume to bring a matter to your atten-

tion? Beyond question, Brookings should have a swimming pool. It is something our growing community can no longer be without.

Beyond question also our city can provide it. It is simply a matter of agreement, of getting organized, and of going to work. It is a "must" project for immediate action.

A town swimming-pool will provide all the necessary safeguards, and give opportunity for fellowship and recreation for all groups.

Certainly I am thinking of all groups and all ages, but I am willing to hold a torch for the younger. This is something in which we can all unite for them, and something they cannot possibly do for themselves.

Since the drowning in the river

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of Tommy Smith people have been asking where to send money for the project. Is it out of place to ask the mayor to designate a small committee to go to work upon it without delay?

Respectfully,
Charles Durden.

CORRECTION

Information in our Parade report last week gave the name of Bonnie Kay Mincer as Lion Tamer on the Lions Float. Since that time it was learned that the beautiful young lady was none other than Diane Kanick. Apologies Diane.

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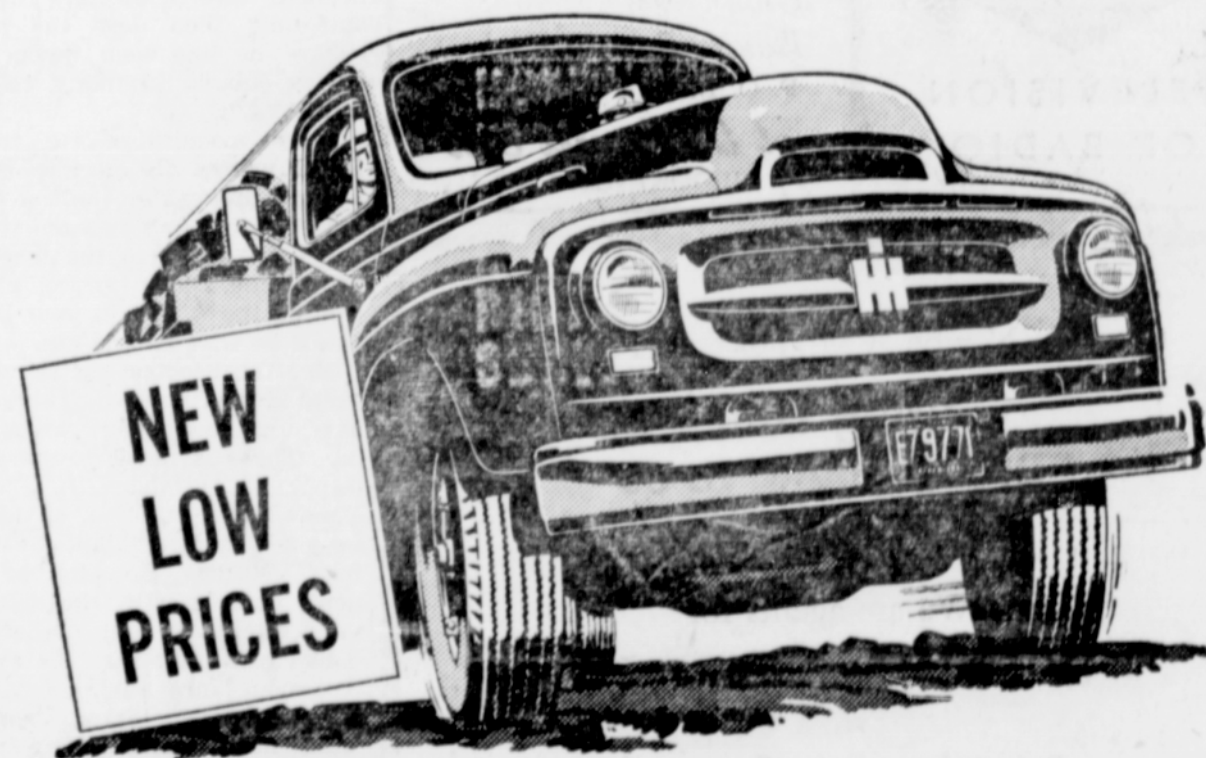
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